



PATENT
Customer No. 22,852
Attorney Docket No. 8888.0549-00

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
Shian-Jiun SHIH et al.) Group Art Unit: 1632
Application No.: 09/763,210)
Filed: October 16, 2001)
For: ADENOVIRUS FORMULATIONS)
FOR GENE THERAPY)

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

THIRD STATUS INQUIRY

According to our records, this application entered the U.S. National Stage on February 14, 2001. Despite filing two previous status inquiries, applicants still have yet to receive an Office Action on the merits.

In view of these circumstances, the undersigned attorney respectfully requests that the Office advise him of the status of this application as soon as possible in order to determine whether further action by the applicants is required at this time.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dated: May 6, 2004

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